


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OF THE

OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1884.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in the hands of the Treasurer,	
March 1st, 1883,	\$931.83
Last annual assessment,	3601.91
Remaining on tax bill of 1882,	440.68
Highway tax for 1882 not worked July 1st, 1883,	33.66
Received of the county for support of county paupers,	168.76
Received the State bank tax for 1883,	474.01
Literary fund for 1883,	64.26
Rent on school land,	19.33
Interest on tax bill for 1882,	21.66
" " " 1883,	7.89
Bounty on crows,	26.30
Borrowed of Jacob Wellman,	200.00
" Maria Stowell,	175.00
Newport S. Bank,	275.000
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	\$6440.29

EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1884.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid	L. A. Purmort as auditor,	\$2.00
	Hiram Parker, " "	2.00
	Wm. T. Thissell, as selectman,	35.50
	Charles M. Booth, " "	30.00
	Wm. A. Morrison, " "	26.00
	Wm. C. Sabine as overseer of the poor,	19.00
	L. B. Allen, as Treasurer,	20.00

Paid	Cora F. Sabine, S. S. Committee,	\$35.00
	Fred C. Parker, Town Clerk,	25.00
	George W. Hurd, as Collector and expenses,	39.46
	Clifton A. Metcalf, Supervisor,	4.00
	Martin L. Keyes, “	4.00
	J. H. Hodgman,	4.00
	W. C. Sabine, Moderator,	2.00

\$247.96

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Dis. No. 1,	Fred C. Parker,	\$98.90
“ 2,	James F. Moore,	81.51
“ 3,	Henry Hurd,	73.64
“ 4,	F. C. Carey,	60.56
“ 5,	Milan Noyes,	59.11
“ 6,	James T. Nichols,	32.75
“ 7,	C. A. Metcalf,	78.21
“ 8,	John O'Brien,	85.93
“ 9,	H. L. Pike,	51.61
	Wheeler & Morrison school money paid to Acworth,	4.63

\$626.85

SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid Wm. C. Sabine, Overseer Poor,	\$170.26
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SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS.

Paid William A. Scales for 3 6-7 weeks at 3 per week, board E. Nichols and wife,	\$11.58
Arthur L. Benway, 9 weeks,	27.00
“ “ For nursing and going for Dr. &c. for E. Nichols and wife,	3.50
Paid Benway for repairing shoes,	15
E. C. Scales for seven weeks board,	21.00
William F. Welch, board four weeks at \$3.50 per week,	14.00
Charles Putnam for 22 weeks for board of Erastus Nichols and wife at four dollars per week,	88.00

Paid	E. C. Scales, board of E. Nichols and wife,	
	seven weeks, \$4 per week,	\$28.00
	H. & F. Parker, goods for Nichols and wife,	4.88
	J. N. Butler, med. attendance,	8.87
	A. S. Wait, legal advice,	1.00
	Wm. C. Sabine, repairing clock,	.50
	" " shoes,	.25
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		\$208.71

NOTES TAKEN UP AND ENDORSEMENTS.

Paid	Stephen Allen, endorsement,	\$29.53
	Esther Booth, note taken up,	486.72
	Samuel Blanchard, endorsement,	1000.00
	Emily Eaton, " "	12.00
	Universalist Society,	40.00
	Maria Stowell, note taken up,	176.45
	Newport S. Bank,	277.87
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		\$2022.57

BREAKING ROADS WINTER OF 1883-84.

Paid	Milan Noyes, breaking roads,	\$8.72
	Samuel Richardson, " "	4.08
	George H. Baker, " "	9.36
	C. A. Metcalf, " "	6.96
	Henry E. Huntley, " "	3.09
	E. C. Scales, " "	15.58
	Silas M. Gee, " "	1.56
	A. Nichols, " "	13.20
	E. C. Scales, " "	2.90
	Wm. F. Bruce, " "	7.69
	Franklin Jeffits, " "	4.32
	Milan Noyes, " "	26.22
	F. C. Carey, " "	8.33
	Albert Noyes, " "	2.92
	Matthew Jameson, jr, " "	11.00
	Theron M. Scranton, " "	7.68
	C. D. Stafford and Thompson and Nichols,	9.40
	Francis J. Weston, " "	2.04
	George H. Moore, " "	3.54
	Hiram Parker, " "	4.00

Paid J. F. Moore,	"	\$7.16	
Charles Kempton,	"	2.88	
Charles M. Booth,	"	6.60	
	"		<hr/> \$169.17

PLANK AND LABOR ON HIGHWAY.

Paid Charles M. Booth,		\$5.28	
James F. Moore, 366 ft. plank,		2.93	
George H. Moore, timber "		10.58	
O. E. Page, 431 ft. plank,		3.87	
Clifton A. Metcalf, labor on highway,		3.24	
Charles Putnam, plank and timber, 1282 ft. and labor,		14.52	
Pollard Brothers, 684 ft. plank and labor on highway,		11.08	
Ralph C. Roundy, labor on highway,		24.15	
Charles H. Pitkin, " "		2.54	
Lewis B. Allen, 210 ft. plank and labor on highway,		2.91	
Phineas Richardson, 54½ hours labor on high- way,		6.54	
H. L. Thompson, 322 ft. plank,		2.90	
A. L. Benway, repairing sluice,		1.25	
Keyes Bros., 2587 ft. plank and timber, 5 guide posts and boards, painting and setting same, and repairing plow, and labor on highway,		68.92	
Wm. A. Morrison, labor on highway and money paid for the same,		7.50	
George H. Moore, 558 ft. plank,		5.02	
John Wheeler, 36 hours labor on highway,		4.32	
Abram Bean, labor on highway,		4.41	
		<hr/>	\$181.96

ABATEMENTS OF TAXES.

On tax bill of 1882,	\$13.32	
" " " 1883,	62.38	
" highway tax of 1882,	9.15	
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MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Hiram Parker, agent for buiding new highway,	\$366.25
Hiram Parker, for services and expenses as agent for building new highway,	10.00
Harlan N. Pike, entertainment of town officers to March 1st, 1884,	18.90
Harlan N. Pike, entertainment of county pauper,	.75
Barton & Wheeler, for printing town report and petition,	16.00
Wm. A. Morrison, for shingling town house and liming the same,	10.50
Lewis Cutler, for 9 M shingles,	18.00
F. C. Carey, school house tax in Dis. No. 4,	25.00
G. W. Town, for services as sexton and mowing cemetery,	37.25
State tax for 1883,	552.00
County " " "	576.10
C. A. Allen, recording births and deaths,	2.00
W. W. Moody, care town house and repairing same and tolling bell,	12.00
L. B. Allen, use of money for the town,	3.00
C. E. Davis, goods for town,	1.13
L. B. Allen, bounty,	6.20
Non-resident highway receipts,	72.82
Wm. T. Thissell, expenses of Selectmen while taking invoice, and postage, stationery and incidental expenses,	7.50
Wm. E. Way, goods furnished town house,	2.75
E. C. Converse, receipt and order book,	1.50
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	\$1739.65
The Selectmen and Treasurer charge themselves with the receipt of	\$6440.29
Disbursements, amount	\$5452.00
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Leaving in hands of Treasurer,	\$988.29

NOTES

AGAINST THE TOWN OF LEMPSTER MARCH 1, 1884.

Marietta Blanchard,	\$171.50	
Stephen Allen,	236.55	
Samuel Blanchard,	2461.08	
Ianthia Nichols,	998.03	
" "	200.00	
Emily Eaton,	300.00	
Universalist Society,	1020.89	
A. J. Parker,	151.18	
R. G. Dodge,	800.00	
Alden Carey,	300.00	
Henry Walker,	267.54	
Jacob Wellman,	200.00	
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	\$7106.77	
Interest on the above notes,	\$1133.18	
Amount of notes and interest,		\$8239.95

ASSETS.

Cash in hands of the treasurer March 1, 1884,	\$988.29	
Due rent on school land,	13.83	
Bounty from State,	.70	
From county,	75.	
From Acworth S. H. tax,	1.13	
Endorsements on town notes,	2573.54	
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		\$3578.24
Amount of notes and interest,	\$8,239.75	
Assets,	3,578.24	
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Balance against the town,		\$4,661.71
Indebtedness March 1, 1883,	\$5,399.72	
Indebtedness March 1, 1884,	4,661.71	
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Reduction of debt,		\$738.01

WILLIAM T. THISSELL, } Selectmen
 CHARLES M. BOOTH, } of
 WILLIAM A. MORRISON, } Lempster.

We, the undersigned, auditors of the town of Lempster, have examined the accounts of the selectmen and treasurer and find them properly vouched and correctly cast, and records kept in a business-like manner.

LUCIUS A. PURMORT, } Auditors of
HIRAM PARKER, } Lempster.

Lempster, March 1, 1884.

SCHOOL REPORT

The following is a brief report of the condition of the public schools in the town of Lempster for the year ending March 1, 1884:

DISTRICT NO. 1.

The summer term was taught by Miss May E. Perley, who is a capable and efficient teacher. Her labors were crowned with success. Fall term Miss Jennie L. Parker, teacher. Miss Parker is an excellent scholar, and the school made good improvement under her instruction.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

The summer term was taught by your committee, who will forbear from making any remarks at this point. The fall term was under the instruction of Miss Lillian I. Kempton of Newport. Miss Kempton has labored with good success in this town heretofore, but in this district she failed to win the good will of her pupils and the school was a failure, due in part we think to lack of discretion in the teacher.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Miss Lillian I. Kempton taught the summer term with marked success. The examination was excellent, and showed that the instructions given had been careful and thorough. Fall term, Miss Alice M. Smith of Grantham, teacher. Good order was maintained, and a fair degree of improvement made during the term.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

The Summer term was taught by Miss Alice M. Carr of Newport. Our impression formed at the beginning of the term was unfavorable, and judging from the fact that the school was pre-

maturely closed, without notifying your committee, it is to be inferred that it was not a success.

The fall term was conducted by Miss Addie A. Fletcher of Marlow, who has previously taught this school with success. In this term she sustained her former reputation.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Miss Leona C. Kempton of Newport taught the summer term. The school was orderly in appearance, and the pupils remaining until the close of the term passed a creditable examination. The services of Miss Della G. Tandy of Washington were secured for the Fall term. Miss Tandy, who is a fine teacher, labored diligently for the advancement of her scholars, with her usual success.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

The single term in this district was in charge of Miss Mary M. Bean. This was Miss Bean's first attempt at teaching, and she is to be commended for her zealous efforts for the improvement of her pupils, and their good results.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Miss Flora B. Baker of Marlow taught the summer term. The order was excellent and satisfactory progress made. Miss Abbie A. Pease of South Newmarket, a pupil of the Normal School, served as teacher of the second term. She was energetic and practical in her methods of instruction and the closing examination one of the best we have witnessed during the year.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

The Summer term was in charge of Miss Nettie L. Allen, who is a capable and willing teacher. Considering the decided lack of interest manifested by many of the pupils, a reasonable degree of improvement was made. The winter term, taught by Mrs. Laura A. Hawkins of Acworth, commenced favorably, but as no one took the trouble to inform your committee of the date of its closing, we were not present at the examination, therefore can give no account of the progress made.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Both terms were conducted by Miss Maybelle C. Barney, of Washington. This school, though the smallest in town, earned for itself a good report.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The school year has been marked by no phenomenal incidents, and in our opinion the schools have hardly reached the average excellence of former years.

By the table, it will be seen that the customary number of terms have been held during the past year, attended by 118 pupils, at an expense of about \$525 for tuition and board alone. This number of scholars could be taught by four or five teachers at most, and it seems to us that money expended upon a number of teachers exceeding five, is sheer waste that should be remedied at once, and would be if the legal voters of the town used that discretion in the economical use of the school money, that they do in their own personal funds. Your attention is called to the necessary reduction of the amount of school money raised by taxation the coming year, caused by a change reducing our proportion of the state tax. Also if we understand the law establishing Teachers' Institutes, they are to be paid for from the Literary Fund, so that necessarily there will be a deficiency in the amount drawn from that source, and unless you are willing to see a reduction of nearly two weeks of school for each district the coming year, it will be imperatively necessary to raise a small sum in excess of that required by law, for school purposes.

The lack of uniformity in school books noticed by previous committees in some degree still exists, but we have thought it best to introduce no new ones, fearing that unless we were prepared to assert more authority than former committees have done, we should only add to the confusion caused by a multiplicity of text books.

We would suggest that some needed repairs be made upon the school buildings, also that a cheap globe be purchased for each school room, so as to enable younger pupils to obtain a more definite idea of geography.

Thanking the patrons of our schools for the general courtesy shown us in the discharge of our duties, we bring our report to a close.

Respectfully submitted,

CORA F. SABINE, Sup't School Committee,

TABULAR STATEMENT OF SCHOOLS.

No. of Pupils attending to Reading.....		Spelling.....	Pennmanship.....	Arithmetic.....	Geography.....	Grammar.....	History.....	Composition.....	Names on Roll of Honor.....	Visits of Citizens.....	Visits of S. S. Committee.....	Average daily Attendance.....	Whole Attendance.....	Length of School in weeks.....	Wages of Teachers per Month.....	Names of Teachers.		Prud. Committee.		Terms.—1, Summer; 2, Fall; 3, Winter.....		No. of District.....
6	6	6	6	6	5	2	0	0	2	127	12	9.63	10	8	16	May E. Perley.....	F. C. Parker.....	1	1	1	1	1
10	10	10	10	10	6	2	0	0	2	163	16	11.82	12	8	18	Jennie L. Parker.....	J. F. Moore.....	2	1	2	2	2
12	12	12	12	12	7	2	0	0	2	160	15	8	8	8	15	Cora F. Sabine.....	Henry Hard.....	3	1	3	3	3
11	11	11	11	11	8	2	0	0	2	160	19	7	7	10	11	Lillian I. Kempton.....	“	2	2	2	2	2
8	8	8	8	8	9	4	0	0	2	208	11	14	13	8	14	Alice M. Smith.....	Alice M. Carr.....	4	1	4	4	4
10	10	10	10	10	5	0	0	0	2	227	8	7	10	6	17	“	F. C. Carey.....	1	2	1	1	1
10	10	10	10	10	6	3	0	0	2	158	17	10	10	9	11	Addie A. Fletcher.....	Millan Noyes.....	2	1	2	2	2
13	13	13	13	13	7	4	0	0	1	141	12	8	12	8	12	Leonie C. Kempton.....	James Nichols.....	5	1	5	5	5
13	13	13	13	13	11	5	0	0	1	113	16	8	13	8	16	Della G. Tandy.....	C. A. Meical.....	6	2	6	6	6
11	11	11	11	11	8	4	0	0	2	74	11	7	7	8	11	Mary M. Bean.....	J. O'Brien.....	7	1	7	7	7
15	15	15	15	15	2	2	0	0	2	292	16	3	15	12	16	Flora B. Baker.....	H. N. Pike.....	8	1	8	8	8
15	15	15	15	15	3	3	0	0	2	281	15	6	15	8	15	Abbie A. Pease.....	“	3	1	3	3	3
22	22	22	22	22	3	3	0	0	2	114	18	6	22	8	18	Nettie L. Allen.....	“	9	1	9	9	9
22	22	22	22	22	3	3	0	0	2	113	12	5.82	6	7	12	Laura Hawkins.....	“	1	2	1	1	1
6	6	6	6	6	5	3	0	0	2	91	12	6	6	7	12	Maybelle C. Barney.....	“	2	2	2	2	2

* Teacher.

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